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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
8 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
9 AT TACOMA

10 MELANIE E. BROWN

11 Plaintiff,

12 vs.

13 COWLITZ COUNTY, a Washington Municipal  
14 Corporation, and the Honorable STEPHEN M.  
15 WARNING, Judge of the Cowlitz County  
16 Superior Court, and the COWLITZ COUNTY  
SUPERIOR COURT,

Defendants.

Case No. C09-5090 FDB

**ORDER GRANTING MOTION  
FOR PERMISSION TO APPEAL  
IN FORMA PAUPERIS**

17 This matter came before the Court on the motion of the Plaintiff Melanie E. Brown for an  
18 order to proceed in forma pauperis under FRAP 24(a)(1). The Court has considered the motion  
19 [Dkt # 34 & 37] and the attached affidavit in support thereof. Having considered the foregoing  
20 materials and the applicable law, the Court hereby finds that Plaintiff has presented a sufficient  
21 affidavit to proceed in forma pauperis.<sup>1</sup>  
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24 <sup>1</sup> The motion to permit withdraw of Plaintiff's counsel [Dkt. # 33] is Granted.

1           Therefore, it is ORDERED that the Appellant is hereby allowed to prosecute this action  
2 in forma pauperis, and the Clerk of this Court is directed to file and issue papers and pleadings as  
3 requested by Plaintiff without prepayment of any fees, costs, charges, or the necessity of giving  
4 security therefor.

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6           Dated this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of January, 2010.

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9           FRANKLIN D. BURGESS  
10          UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
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